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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office communication mailed September 29, 2005, applicant hereby elects for prosecution claims 17-25 drawn to a lifting and lowering mechanism. Claims 2-4, 6, 9, 11, 12, and 16 have been amended to be dependent directly or indirectly on elected claim 17 and are therefore felt to be included within the elected invention. Claims 5, 7, and 10 are dependent upon amended claims 4, 6, and 9 so they too are felt to be within the elected invention. This leaves claims 1, 8, and 13-15 withdrawn from further consideration in this application.

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